# **Curriculum Vitae**

#### **Personal Data**

Name	Bjørn Dilou Jacobsen	
Citizen	Danish	
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Employment Main Employment

2020-	Attorney/partner	Jacobsen Khawaja Law firm
		Established own law with focus on refugee, immigration, criminal and human rights law. The firm assists victims of trafficking.
2010-2020	Attorney/partner	Homann Law
		Represent clients in principle cases on national and international law at one of the leading refugee, immigration and criminal law firms in Denmark. Cooperate with the Danish authorities on ensuring the rights of victims of trafficking. Give numerous speeches and lectures, including at the Danish Judges' Academy.
2008-2010	Legal officer/	The Danish Institute for Human Rights
	special consultant	Held responsibility for the Institute's provision of legal aid to victims of discrimination and human rights violations, wrote national and international reports on human rights, provided courses on anti-discrimination law. Did field work in Arusha, Tanzania, working with local bodies on the effective provision of legal aid.
2005-2008	PhD fellow	Faculty of Law, University of Copenhagen
		Wrote PhD-project (in English) concerning access to justice for victims of discrimination in the EU Member States. Comparative analysis also drawn from Australian, Canadian, and United States anti-discrimination law.
2003-2005	Legal officer	The Danish Institute for Human Rights
		Part of establishing the Danish Complaints Committee for Ethnic Equal Treatment, handled complaints cases, wrote Institute position statements on various legal issues, represented the Institute in Equinet (a European network of national anti-discrimination bodies)
2002-2003	Junior attorney	The Law Firm Jonas Bruun (now 'Bruun & Hjejle') Mainly worked with internal contracts law, intellectual property law, administrative law and foundations
2000-2001	Intern	The Board for Ethnic Equality
		Drafted national hearing statements and international reports, prepared board meetings
2000	Intern	Attorney Tyge Trier
		Prepared court arguments on behalf of lead partner and wrote legal memoranda in human right law cases

## Teaching

2012-2016	International law	Faculty of Law, University of Copenhagen
2006	Legal Aid in Practice	Faculty of Law, University of Copenhagen
2003-2004	Administrative Law	Faculty of Law, University of Copenhagen
2002-2003	The Nordic Human Rights Moot Court	Faculty of Law, University of Copenhagen
	(Junior and Senior advisor)	

#### Public Service Work

2011	Legal adviser	The Last Resort Exoneration	Seton Hall University School of
		Project	Law, New Jersey, USA
2004-2007	Legal adviser	Volunteer Refugee Counselling	Danish Refugee Council

Education		
2009	PhD	Faculty of Law, University of Copenhagen
2004	The Danish Bar exam	The Danish Bar and Law Society
2002	Cand.jur. (2 <sup>nd</sup> in class)	Faculty of Law, University of Copenhagen
1999	Bach.jur.	Faculty of Law, University of Copenhagen
1996	First year exams	Film & Media Science, University of Copenhagen
1994	General Certificate	Stenhus Gymnasium, Holbæk, Denmark
1993	High school graduate	Hickory High; North Carolina, USA

## **Publications**

2019-	Lovkommentar Udlændingeloven	Karnov Group
	(Legal commentary to Alien Act)	
2017	Udlændingeret (with other authors)	DJØF Publishing, Copenhagen,
	(Immigration law)	Denmark
2010	Influencing the Interpretation of the Law	Equinet, Brussels, Belgium
	through Legal Proceedings – the Powers	
	and Practices of Equality Bodies	
2010	Assistance to Victims of Discrimination by	DJØF Publishing, Copenhagen,
	Equality Bodies of the EU Member States –	Denmark
	a Scandinavian Perspective	
	(PhD-dissertation)	
2009	Ligebehandlingsorganer som amicus curiae	EU-ret og menneskeret (EU-Law &
	(Equality Bodies as Amicus Curie)	Human Rights Law) no. 6/2004, DJØF
		Publishing, Copenhagen, Denmark
2006	Legal Assistance to Individuals – Powers	Migration Policy Group, Brussels
	and procedures of effective individual	Belgium
	enforcement	
2005	Mere om Føtex-sagen	Ugeskrift for Retsvæsen (The Danish
	(More about the Føtex Headscarf-case)	Weekly Law Reports) U.2005B.301,
		Forlaget Thomson
2004	Klagekomitéen for Etnisk Ligebehandling	EU-ret & Menneskeret (EU-Law &
	(The Complaints Committee for Ethnic	Human Rights Law) no. 5/2009, DJØF
	Equal Treatment)	Publishing, Copenhagen, Denmark
2004	Tilknytningskravet og forbuddet mod	Ægtefællesammenføring i Danmark,
	racisme	(Reunification of Spouses in Denmark),
	(The Affiliation Requirements and the	Investigation no. 1, The Danish
	Prohibition against Racial Discrimination)	Institute for Human Rights,
• • • • •		Copenhagen, Denmark
2000	Domstolsprøvelse af en forvaltnings-	Justitia, no. 6/2000, DJØF Publishing,
	afgørelses egnethed	Copenhagen, Denmark
	(Judicial Review of the Qualifications of	
	Regulatory Authorities ´Decisions)	

### Awards

2000 "Best Litigator" The Nordic Human Rights Moot Court

## Languages

Danish	Native
English	Fluent
German	Knowledgeable